

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

PROPOSED REGULATION TEXT

TITLE 13, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, DIVISION 2
AMEND CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 1141

**Color Requirements for Traffic Law Enforcement Vehicles
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Article 5. Color of Traffic Law Enforcement Vehicles

§ 1141. Color Requirements.

Each motor vehicle shall have ~~an~~ a distinctive exterior finish, exclusive of wheels, trim, and identification indicia, as follows:

(a) Vehicles Except Motorcycles. Vehicles, except motorcycles, shall be painted:

(1) Entirely white; or

(2) White, except that an area not less than and including the front door panels shall be black; or

(3) Black, except that an area not less than and including the front door panels shall be white; or

(4) Any other color, with any color front door panels ~~that contrasts sharply with white, providing an area not less than and including the front door panels is white and the indicia or names of governmental entities operating the vehicles are displayed on the front door panels.~~

(5) The indicia or names of governmental entities operating the vehicles shall be displayed in sharp contrast to the background on the front door panels and shall be of such size, shape, and color as to be readily legible during daylight hours from a distance of 50 feet.

(b) Stripes. Painted stripes, if used, shall be no wider than 6 inches.

(c) Motorcycles. Each motorcycle shall have one of the following finishes:

(1) Entirely white; or

(2) The sides of the tank and fenders shall be white or the fenders may be entirely white or entirely black; the remaining portions of the motorcycle, which normally receive a painted or enameled finish, shall be black, white, or a combination of black and white, except that these surfaces may have a sharply contrasting accent color overlaying the predominant black and/or white background.

Note: Authority cited: Section 2402, Vehicle Code. Reference: Section 40800, Vehicle Code.